



Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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NewsFlash!

Sunday 10th May 2009

This morning	10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall <i>Worship: Katie Johnson – Preacher: David Evans</i>
<hr/> <i>We offer a warm welcome to all visitors to our worship today</i> <hr/>	
This evening	7.45pm: EdgsonGruet + Sue the Diva playing live in the Church <i>Entry free – donations welcome in aid of Habitat for Humanity</i>
Monday	10.30–1.00pm: <i>Monday Munch</i> in the Church Foyer 2.00pm: House Group at Connie's home 3.30pm: Cream teas in Martin & Katie's garden
Tuesday	7.00pm: Aerobic praise in the Church <i>Please use the Coachmans Drive entrance</i> 7.45pm: Light meal & prayer at Martin & Katie's home
Wednesday	9.30–11.30am: <i>The Triangle</i> Coffee Shop in the Social Hall 12.00–1.00pm: Prayer (and fasting) in the Church Quiet Room 7.45pm: Induction evening for new Street Pastors at Crawley Baptist Church:
Thursday	12.30–2.30pm: Alpha in the Small Hall <i>Why did Jesus die?</i> 7.30pm: Light meal & prayer at Maureen's home <i>Continuing the studies from the life of David: 1 Samuel 18:1-16</i> 7.30pm: Music Group in the Church
Friday	5.00–6.00pm: Drop-in hot meal in the Social Hall 9.00pm: Prayer for Street Pastors at Crawley Baptist Church
Saturday:	9.00am–3.30pm: First training session for new Street Pastors (venue TBC)
Next Sunday:	9.00am: Open up and set up hall for worship 9.30am: Prayer meeting in the Social Hall 10.00am: Tea and coffee and an opportunity for prayer 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall <i>Worship: Vivienne Evans – Preacher: Katie Johnson</i>

Thought for the Week – from Caroline

The book of Hosea

Sometimes, people who are prophets of God must live the message they preach. That was certainly the case with Hosea. God had called Hosea, whose name means “salvation” or “deliverance,” to proclaim His love and faithfulness to the people of Israel, who had turned their backs on Him, forgotten His goodness, and forsaken Him as a man forsakes his wife for a prostitute. In fact, God said through Hosea that Israel had “played the harlot.” (Hosea 2:5)

In order to understand and demonstrate God's love for backsliding Israel, God required Hosea to marry a prostitute, named Gomer, who continually turned her back on him and lived as a harlot. Hosea, in response, repeatedly rescued Gomer from her sinful, low-class living, took her back home, and loved and cared for her. But after a while, she would leave him again and return to prostitution. The cycle of her unfaithfulness and Hosea's unconditional love continues throughout this book to show God's people that He never, ever gives up on us. It also teaches us that love cannot be bought; it must be received as a gift, for God says in Hosea 14:4, “I will love them freely.”

As you read the book of Hosea, let it remind you of God's unconditional love and unfailing mercy. He will never leave you or let you down, no matter how you have sinned or turned away from Him. In God, you can always have a fresh start.

From The Everyday Life Bible

Advance Notices

Thursday 21st May, 6.30pm: Community Centre public meeting and AGM.

Saturday 1st–8th Aug: Revive! 2009 at Ashburnham Place, “Seedtime and Harvest: Bear Much Fruit” with guest speakers Greg Boyd and Che Ann – booking forms on the tables.